said province of Maryand as well the Royal Commission with which L. H. J. his Majesty has been most Graciously Pleas'd to invest you upon this Liber No. 48 December 12 Important Service as this my Leave of Absence hereby Granted to you from my said Province and in a more Particular Maner I do Require and enjoin you that you do in the most serious And Earnest p.6 Mañer Recommend it to the Good People of my said Province that they do in furtherance of his Majestys Royal Intentions and in Manifestation of their own Just Abhorrence and Resentment at the unprovoked Insults and attempts of the Invaders most Heartily Cooperate with his Majesty and their Neighbouring Governments by Granting such Effectual Supplys & Prosecuting such Vigorous Measures Against the Common Enemy as shall Demonstrate to all future Ages the Distinguished zeal and Loyalty of this my Province of Maryland to their Sovereign and the Cause of their Country Given at London under our hand and Greater Seal at Arms this sixth Day of July in the twenty Eighth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord King George the second and in the fourth year of Our dominion over the said Province Annoque Domini One Thousand seven hundred and fifty four.

> By his Lordships Command [SEAL] Cæcil.8 Calvert Secretary

The House appointed Mr. George Johnson Serjeant at Arms, and Richard Goldsmith Door-keeper, to the Lower House of Assembly: And, Ordered, That Col. Robert Jenckins Henry do administer to them the several Oaths to the Government, and Oath of Office.

Col. Henry acquaints Mr. Speaker, that George Johnson and Richard Goldsmith did take, before him, the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, signed the Oath of Abjuration and repeated and signed the Test; and, that George Johnson took the following Oath of Office, viz.

You George Johnson do swear, That you will faithfully, diligently and honestly Discharge the Office of Serjeant at Arms, to the Lower House of Assembly, and that you shall not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof.

So help you God.

And, that Richard Goldsmith took the following Oath of Office, viz.

You Richard Goldsmith do swear, That you will faithfully, diligently and honestly Discharge the Office of Door-keeper, to the Lower House of Assembly, and that you shall not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof.

So help you God.

Mr. Philip Hammond, a Delegate returned for Anne-Arundel County, appeared. Ordered, That Dr. Carroll and Major Hall do